

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MARIO H. CAPOGROSSO,

CIV18-2710

**Plaintiff** 

-against-

ALAN GELBSTEIN, in his official and individual capacity;

BOSHRA VAHDATLAMAS, (also known as BUSHRA VAHDAT) in her official and

individual capacity;

IDA TRASCHEN, in her official and individual capacity;

ELIZABETH PRICKETT-MORGAN, in her official and individual capacity;

JEAN FLANAGAN, in her official and individual capacity;

VINCENT PALMIERI, in his official and individual capacity;

DANIELLE CALVO, in her official and individual capacity;

SADIO TAHIR, in his individual capacity;

PEC GROUP OF NY, INC.;

DAVID SMART, in his individual capacity;

JOHN AND JANE DOE.

### **Defendants**

## AFFIRMATION OF MARIO H. CAPOGROSSO IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO DISMISS COUNTERCLAIMS

- I, Mario H. Capogrosso, hereby affirm under penalty of perjury:
- 1. I am the Plaintiff in the above-captioned matter.
- I submit this Affirmation in support of the Plaintiff's Motion to Dismiss the
   Counterclaims of the Defendant, David Smart ("the Defendant").
- Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and accurate copy of the Defendant's Counterclaims.
- Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a true and accurate copy of the Defendant's Supplemental submission.

5. Exhibit B was submitted in response to the Court's August 2, 2018, Order, attached hereto as Exhibit C, directing the Defendant to file an Amended Answer and Counterclaims. No amendments were actually made to the pleadings.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: New Rochelle August 22, 2018

Mario H. Capogrosso 21 Sheldrake Place

New Rochelle, NY 10804

# **EXHIBIT A**

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MARIO H. CAPOGROSSO

Plaintiff

PRO SE ANSWER CV18-2710

ALAN GELBSTEIN, ET.AL,

Defendants

### **ADMISSIONS AND DENIALS**

- 1. The defendant admits paragraph 4 7 27 28 61 89.
- 2. The Defendant denies paragraph 8 9 11 30 31 32 40 52 60 62 63 64 65 67 68 70 76 77 78 95 96 100 101
- 3. The defendant lacks sufficient knowledge or information to determine the truth of the allegations in paragraph 1 2 3 5 6 10 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 29 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 66 69 71 72 73 74 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 90 91 92 93 94 97 98 99.

### **DEFENSES**

General Denial.

### **COUNTERCLAIMS**

Plaintiff illegally harassed Defendant and continues to illegally harass Defendant by bringing frivolous law suits, Defendant therefore seeks punitive damages against Plaintiff in an amount as the Court may determine appropriate,

As a result of the harassment, defendant was damaged in the sum of \$100,000.

WHEREFORE defendant demands judgment against plaintiff in the sum of \$100,000 and punitive damages against Plaintiff in an amount as the Court may determine appropriate,

Signed this 29 day of May 2018.

Defendant DAVID SMART, PRO SE

Telephone Number

### Mario H. Capogrosso

### **Defendant Party List Addresses**

- 1) ALAN GELBSTEIN, 2875 West 8th Street, Brooklyn New York 11224
- 2) BOSHRA VAHDATLAMAS, (also known as BUSHRA VAHDAT), 801 Axinn Avenue, Garden City, New York, 11530
- 3) IDA TRASCHEN, 6 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12228
- 4) ELIZABETH PRICKETT-MORGAN, 120 Broadway, New York City, New York
- 5) JEAN FLANAGAN, 6 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12228
- 6) VINCENT PALMIERI, 6 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12228
- 7) DANIELLE CALVO, 2875 West 8th Street, Brooklyn New York 11224
- 8) SADIQ TAHIR, 2875 West 8th Street, Brooklyn New York 11224
- 9) PEC GROUP OF NY, INC, 935 S Lake Blvd, #7, Mahopac, NY 10541
- 10) DAVID SMART, 2875 West 8th Street, Brooklyn New York 11224

# **EXHIBIT B**

MR DAVIS SMART 2875 WEST 8 55. BROOKCHW, NY 11229 AuGust 2,2018.

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CC: MARIOH. CAPOGROSSO

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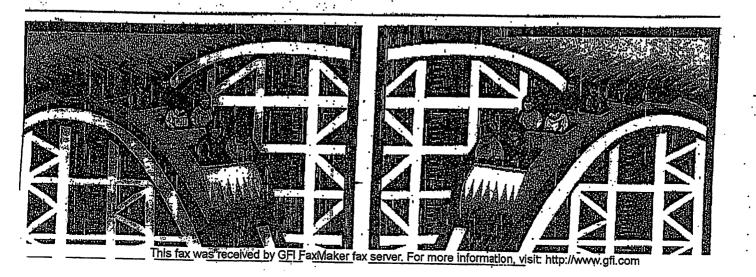
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Vature and Extent of Injuries:

#### Additional Comments:

911 was called and two officers responded. David went up to the 60pct with them to make a report. They said that they could not arrest Mr.Capogrosso because he pushed David with an open hand not a closed fist. I was told by Judge Gelbstein to go with officers from the police room, to tell Mr.Capogrosso that he must leave the building, and to give him legal's phone number for any further details. I did that and he left the building.

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Dear Sir,

Few weeks ago Attorney, Mario Copogrosso, put his bag on the chair where I regularly sit. Mr. Meyer moved his bag on the bench. A little later he again put his bag on the chair. Mr. Copogrosso & me had a little argument about this issue. I told him that chair is to sit, not for your bag. He tried to provoke me. I think, he thought I am an easy & soft target.

On 5/5/15 I put my bag & files on one corner of the bench as I have been putting my stuff for years. At about 12pm I left the room to use the bathroom, when I came back I saw Mr. Mario moved my bag & files and put his bag instead on the place where I kept my bag. I moved his bag on the other bench. He was looking at me and started shouting at me from outside. He came in the room and yelled at me, "Don't touch my bag!" I told him that you touched my bag and so I put your bag over there. I have nothing to do with your bag. He started yelling at me even louder. I think he wanted to provoke me, but I didn't give him any serious attention & tried to avoid him. He kept yelling at me, in the meantime Ms. Danielle came to the lawyers' room & told him "We don't want to hear it."

Then you came to find out as to what happened. I explained you everything, but he kept interfering during our conversation. You saw his attitude. I don't know as to what he was trying-to-prove. When you left, he again started shouting and called me "Shit". Then of course I raised my voice too.

After half an hour later I was going to the other side of the building when he passed me and said in a loud voice "Don't touch my stuff again!"

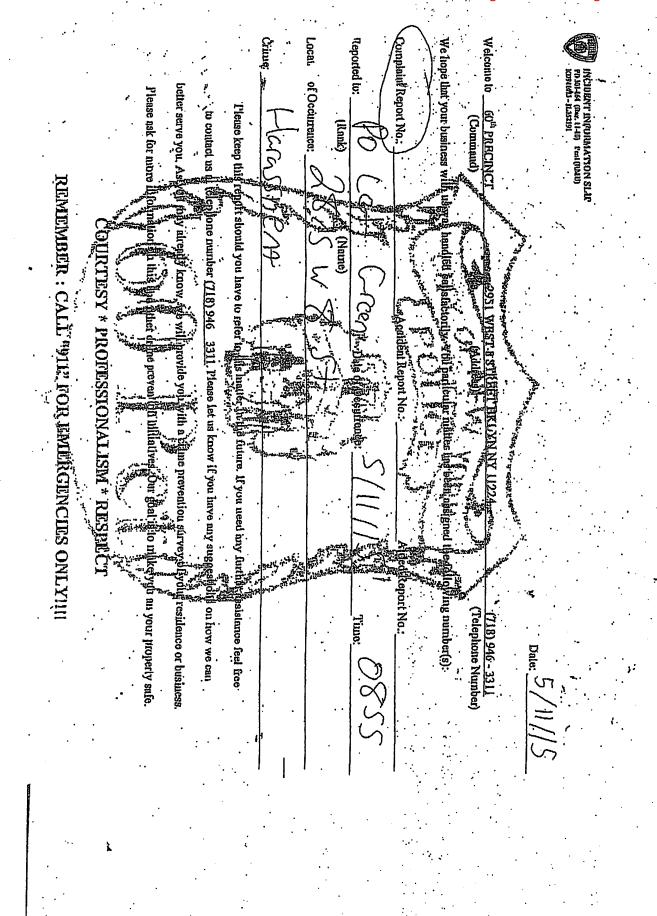
As you know, Ms. Fuller & me complained in writing for his behavior. Whenever he passes me he always said "Shit".

He is more powerful and strong than me and I am afraid that one day he can physically hurt me.

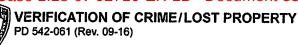
Thank you for your time and assistance on this matter.

Very truly yours,

M. Sadiq Tahir Attorney At Law



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# **EXHIBIT C**

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## **Eastern District of New York**

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## **Docket Text:**

Minute Entry for pre-motion conference held on August 2, 2018. Pro se plaintiff Mario Capogrosso appeared on behalf of himself. Mark Siegmund appeared for defendants Alan Gelbstein, Boshra Vahdatlamas, Ida Traschen, Elizabeth Prickett-Morgan, Jean Flanagan, Vincent

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Paimieri and Danielle Calvo (the "State Defendants"). Pro se defendant and counterclaim-plaintiff David Smart appeared on behalf of himself. Pro se defendant and counterclaim-plaintiff Sadiq Tahir appeared on behalf of himself. Defendant PEC Group of NY, Inc. did not appear.

For the reasons stated on the record, the Court denied Plaintiff's motion to recuse Judge Bloom from this case. The Court also denied Mr. Smart's motion for appointment of counsel, and informed Mr. Smart that a written order denying his motion would be forthcoming.

For the reasons stated on the record, the Court denied plaintiff's motion to dismiss the counterclaims filed by Mr. Smart and Mr. Tahir. The Court directed Mr. Smart to file an amended answer and counterclaim on or before August 9, 2018 to clarify that his counterclaim is based on prior conduct by plaintiff and also on plaintiff's filing of this action. Plaintiff shall respond to Mr. Smart's amended answer and counterclaim on or before August 23, 2018. The Court ordered Plaintiff to serve all papers on Mr. Smart by mail, using the mailing address Mr. Smart provided to the Court.

For the reasons stated on the record, the Court considered Mr. Tahir's oral statements made during the conference that his counterclaim is based on plaintiff's commencement of this action, and deemed such statements an amended answer and counterclaim. Plaintiff shall respond to Mr. Tahir's amended counterclaim on or before August 16, 2018.

The Court discussed with the parties the bases for the State Defendants' anticipated motion to dismiss the Complaint. The State Defendants shall serve their moving papers on or before August 17, 2018; Plaintiff shall serve his opposition on or before September 17, 2018; State Defendants shall serve their reply on or before October 1, 2018. The Court granted the State Defendants' motion for a stay of discovery pending the resolution of their motion to dismiss. Ordered by Judge Margo K. Brodie on 8/2/2018. (McKenzie, Lindsay)

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